TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2294 - SB 2305

March 18, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005101): Deletes the original bill in its entirety. Authorizes the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) and the Local Development Authority to utilize stimulus funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to make loans and grants to local governments for construction of wastewater and drinking water treatment facilities in a manner consistent with federal guidelines for the dispersal of such funds.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Other Fiscal Impact – The changes provided by the bill will allow TDEC to receive approximately \$70,000,000 which would be available to local governments through loans and grants for approved drinking and wastewater projects. If local governments have qualifying eligible projects with costs equivalent to the funds available, there will be an increase in local government revenue of up to approximately \$70,000,000 and an increase in federal expenditures of approximately \$70,000,000.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption applied to amendment:

• The original bill did not include the authorization for the Local Development Authority to work with TDEC to provide the loans authorized by the bill. This amendment rewrites the bill to include the Authority.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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